## WELCOME TO THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY ALERT.

This is the first in a series of periodic e-mail messages to inform you about news, events, data releases, Congressional actions, and other developments associated with the American Community Survey.

The American Community Survey is the U.S. Census Bureau's new approach for collecting accurate and timely socioeconomic and housing information about our nation and its states, cities, and communities. As part of the Census Bureau's plan to re-engineer the decennial census, the American Community Survey will replace the long form in 2010. It will begin full implementation nationwide in 2003, pending Congressional funding. It will give federal, state, and local government officials, as well as the profit and nonprofit sectors, data every year to evaluate programs and chart the future.

## Links to the Data

Data from the American Community Survey test sites are available at <a href="http://www.census.gov/acs/www">http://www.census.gov/acs/www</a>>.

Data from the Census 2000 Supplementary Survey, which uses the American Community Survey questionnaire and methodology, are now available for the nation, the states, the District of Columbia, and almost all cities and counties with populations of 250,000 or more. Data from the Census 2000 Supplementary Survey are available at <a href="http://www.census.gov/c2ss/www">http://www.census.gov/c2ss/www</a>.

The data for both the American Community Survey and the Census 2000 Supplementary Survey may also be accessed through the American FactFinder at <a href="http://factfinder.census.gov">http://factfinder.census.gov</a>>.

## The American Community Survey Fair

The attached document contains photos from the American Community Survey Fair held on Capitol Hill on December 5, 2001. (See attached file: Finalphotos.pdf)

## **Contact Us**

If you have any questions or comments about the American Community Survey or the Census 2000 Supplementary Survey, please call 1-888-456-7215 or send an e-mail to <<u>mailto:cmo.acs@census.gov</u>>. Please do not reply to this list address.

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